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9 (R)—Japan's ruling liberal democratic party has a clean sweep in important elections for provincial governments in many places by Communists. LDP governments of the two biggest prefectures, Tokyo and Saitama, have been ousted by communists as they took all the seats.

The results boosted Prime Minister Masayoshi Ohira, as he prepared for talks with President Carter and the Tokyo summit of industrial democrats. The symbolically important governor's election in Saitama, 66, used the support of the LDP and beat his nearest rival, 67-year-old Kaoru Ohta, king of communists and socialists. The governor's race was part of the first round of local elections every four years. The next round will be held on

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Lebanese unions to boycott U.S.

BEIRUT, April 9 (R)—Workers in Lebanon will refuse to service or unload American aircraft and ships from May 1 as a protest against the Israeli-Egyptian peace treaty, a union leader said today. Mr. Hemayed Jalloul, secretary-general of the International Federation of Arab Trade Unions, told a press conference the step was decided on by the federation's central council in Damascus last Friday. Mr. Jalloul said the decision to boycott American sea and air transport was "a concrete retaliation to the treaty of treason concluded by (Egyptian President Anwar) Sadat with the Zionist enemy." The labour leader said the federation's resolutions also called for "striking at the strategic and vital interests of American imperialism in the Arab region, especially petroleum interests." He declined to elaborate on how this measure would be carried out.

Price: Jordan 50 fils; Syria 50 piastres; Lebanon 75 piastres; Saudi Arabia 1 riyal; UAE 1 dirham; Great Britain 25 pence.

International lawyers condemn Iran's trials

PARIS, April 9 (R)—An international group of lawyers just back from Iran today condemned the secret trial and rapid execution of former Iranian Prime Minister Amir Abbas Hoveyda and said such hearings continued "because there is no central authority in Iran and the government does not control what the revolutionary committees do."

The group, which included lawyers from France, Morocco and Benin, visited Tehran at the invitation of the Iranian human rights movement and the new Islamic revolutionary government.

Delegation leader Nuri Albalia, a member of the French Association of Democratic Lawyers, told reporters he had evidence that 1,329 prisoners were in Qasr Prison.

Mr. Albalia added that, although he had no accurate figures for the number of political prisoners in Iran, all the indications pointed to a figure between 2,500 and 3,000.

Another member of the group, Abderahmane Youssoufia, a Moroccan from the Union of Arab Lawyers, said today committees had been set up to purge Tehran University staff of supporters and agents of the former government.

"University teachers told us that about 30 out of 2,100 teachers at Tehran University had been fired," Mr. Youssoufia said.

Roger Dossou, the head of the Law Faculty at Cotoni University in Beiroo, said Iranian religious leader Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini had told the group that there was no need to try former top officials in the Shah's regime.

"We only need to identify them and execute them, as the Italian partisans did with Mussolini at the end of World War Two," he quoted Ayatollah Khomeini as saying.

The group said that the March 30 referendum for an Islamic republic was "badly prepared and largely improvised in the absence of an electoral list and proper secret voting booths."

Jordan expels correspondent

AMMAN, April 9 (Agencies)—The Jordanian authorities today asked the Egyptian Middle East News Agency (MENA) correspondent in Amman, Khalid Yahia, to leave the country within 48 hours, official sources quoted by Reuters said. They said the Jordanian authorities had also asked the Jordanian News Agency correspondent in Cairo, Mahmoud Al Housani, to return to Amman.

Jordan severed diplomatic relations with Egypt last week in accordance with sanctions against Egypt adopted by the Arab foreign and economic ministers' conference in Bagdad last month.

The Associated Press quoted Jordanian officials as saying Mr. Yahia was accused of sending false reports "on the true situation in Jordan and the Jordanian position regarding the peace treaty between Egypt and Israel."

Nine more officials executed in Iran

TEHRAN, April 9 (R)—Nine more officials who served under the Shah of Iran were shot by firing squad early today. The executions brought to 24 the number to since government regulations sanctioning the death penalty for political crimes were introduced last Thursday.

As the swift secret revolutionary trials continued, the provisional government denied that Justice Minister Assadollah Mohabberi had resigned in protest against the executions.

The Tehran revolutionary court, a small room containing only wooden chairs and school desks in the capital's Qasr Prison, tried four of the nine people executed early today.

They were former Air Force Chief Gen. Amir Hussein Rabii, Army General Ali Mohammad Khajeh Nuri, ex-Labour Minister Manouchehri Azmoori and a former police officer named as Mr. Balali.

The national "Voice of the Islamic Republic" radio said the revolutionary court had confiscated the property of Geo. Rabii and Mr. Azmoori.

The radio said two army officers and two agents of the Shah's former Savak secret police went before the firing squad early today in the southern town of Behbahan, near the Gulf. And an army colonel, also a member of Savak, was executed after a revolutionary

trial in Gachsaran, also in the oil-fields area near the Gulf, it added.

The Tehran city coroner today denied rumours that the body of Mr. Hoveyda had disappeared or been taken from the capital's main mortuary. He said the body was

still there and that none of the former premier's relatives had claimed it.

Mortuary officials told reporters last night the body had been taken away, but declined to say where or by whom.

Four western newsmen executed in Uganda?

NAIROBI, April 9 (AP)—The Ugandan foreign ministry said Monday that four foreigners had been captured and shot dead in Uganda, apparently confirming reports that four western journalists had been executed. The Ugandan statement issued in Kampala said: "Four foreign mercenaries, uniformed and armed, have been shot dead after coming into Uganda in a boat over Lake Victoria."

The announcement came the day after reports that two Swedish and two German journalists had been captured and executed in eastern Kampala after trying to sneak into Uganda by boat from Kenya.

Colleagues said the four had hired a boat to smuggle them into Uganda last Thursday by crossing over Lake Victoria.

Reports reaching Nairobi said the four were captured shortly after landing near the Ugandan capital of Kampala on Friday. They were reportedly taken to a nearby police station, interrogated and shot.

Bollinger had been held in a Kampala jail for four days two weeks ago after flying into the Ugandan capital. He was freed that time through diplomatic efforts.

The two Swedes had also failed in a previous attempt to enter the country. They had been turned back by Ugandan authorities last week after trying to drive into the country from Kenya.

Amin forces fight back in strength

NAIROBI, April 9 (R)—Troops loyal to President Idi Amin were reported fighting back with new strength today against invading Tanzanians and Ugandan rebels in the southern suburbs of Kampala.

Residents said more troops and armoured cars were moving through the Ugandan capital than had been seen since army units mutinied and disbanded several weeks ago in the face of the invasion.

Pakistani denies attacking Afghani border posts

ISLAMABAD, April 9 (R)—Pakistan today denied allegations by Afghanistan yesterday that Pakistani troops wearing Afghan uniforms had attacked four police posts in Paktia province, killing seven soldiers.

A foreign office spokesman said the Kabul Radio report was false and baseless. Pakistan had been adhering to a policy of strict non-intervention, he said.

The radio report said that heavy casualties had been inflicted on the Pakistani forces, which had been driven back across the border.

Last month, the Afghan government of President Noor Mohammed Taraki accused Iran of sending troops across the border in disguise in Western Herat province to make trouble for the Marxist regime in Kabul. The province is reported to be the scene of fighting between troops and Moslem guerrillas resisting the Kabul government.

Diplomatic sources said the invaders had captured the town of Port Portal, close to the Zaire border, and now controlled the whole of Western Uganda.

The sources said that by bringing in the Bondo battalions, President Amin appeared to be signalling that he would make his final stand in the capital rather than the north.

Thousands of people who fled Kampala in panic two weeks ago were under pressure from the Ugandan authorities to return home.

Commerce Minister Mohamed Bakhi warned over Uganda Radio that people who did not go back to their shops and houses in the capital within two days could find them allocated to other residents. People who have stayed in Kampala say there has been little food and virtually no fuel for several days.

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Egypt, Israel engage in first open dispute

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM, April 9 (Agencies)—Israel sent messages to U.S. and Egyptian leaders today following remarks by government officials in Cairo which were regarded here as a violation of the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty signed only two weeks ago.

A foreign ministry spokesman said tonight that Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan had sent a letter to U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance concerning remarks attributed to Egyptian Prime Minister Mustapha Khalil.

Despite support in Egypt for the treaty, there was irritation over an Israeli-American memorandum in which the U.S. pledged to take diplomatic, economic and military measures against Egypt if it violated or threatened to violate the peace treaty.

The foreign ministry spokesman said a copy of the letter was also sent by Prime Minister Menachem Begin to Egyptian President Anwar Sadat. A personal message was included in Mr. Begin's letter, the spokesman added.

The peace treaty itself is expected to be put to the Egyptian people on Sunday in a referendum likely to produce a massive "yes" vote, sources in Cairo said today.

Neither the referendum nor the date have been announced. But the semi-official newspaper Al Ahram said President Arafat Sadat would make the announcement in a speech on Wednesday and well-informed sources said he would name Sunday as the voting day.

Israeli Defence Minister Ezer Weizman arrives on Sunday for talks with his Egyptian counterpart, Lt. Gen. Kamal Hassan Ali.

A spokesman for the Egyptian side said the talks dealt with Egypt's needs for American arms.

Official sources said the two sides agreed that an Egyptian military delegation would go to Washington later this month to continue the talks.

Meanwhile, the Egyptian Third Army today carried out an air and ground military exercise using live ammunition along the Cairo-Suez desert road, an Egyptian defence ministry statement said.

The statement said tanks, artillery, war planes and a large number of troops took part.

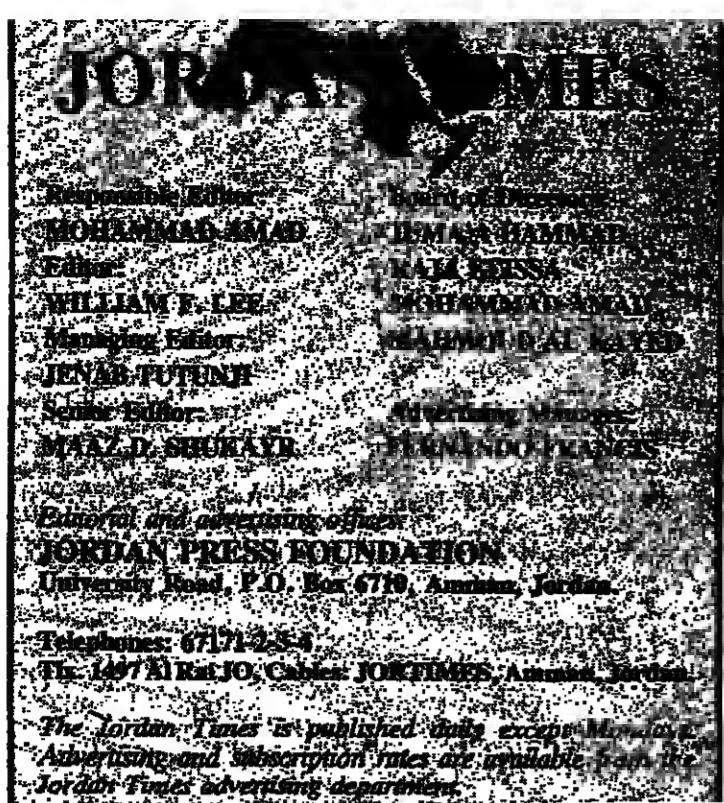
The Egyptian Chief of Staff Maj. Gen. Ahmed Badawi and visiting Zaire and Sudanese military delegations watched the manoeuvres, the statement said.

The purpose of the manoeuvres was not specified but informed sources said it was apparently intended to show Egypt's ability to

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National News Roundup...

3238 work injuries last year

AMMAN, April 9 (JNA) — Work injuries in Jordan in 1978 totalled 3238, compared with 3073 for 1977. These injuries came as a result of failing, improper handling of tools, not using protective equipment and lack of protective fences for machinery in several industrial firms. Money paid in the form of indemnities totalled JD 2 million, sources at the Ministry of Labour reported today.

Czechoslovakia suggests trade meet in June

AMMAN, April 9 (JNA) — The Czechoslovak government has sent a note to the Ministry of Industry and Commerce suggesting that the two countries' joint follow-up committee meet in Prague during the second half of June. Czechoslovakia and Jordan last June signed a long-term bilateral trade agreement and formed a committee to follow up its implementation.

Zarqa-Irbid electricity extension begins operation

AMMAN, April 9 (JNA) — The Jordan Electricity Authority today started operation of the 65 km, 132,000 volt electricity transport line extended between King Hussein thermal power station in Zarqa and the Irbid main transformer station. The director of planning at the authority said that the generated electricity would meet the needs of Irbid governorate for several years.

Bulgaria suggests meeting on transport agreement

AMMAN, April 9 (JNA) — Bulgaria yesterday suggested that teams from the Jordanian and Bulgarian ministries of transport hold meetings in Sofia in the second half of this month to consider an amendment to the land and transit agreement signed by the two countries last year. The suggestion was contained in a note received by the Jordanian Ministry of Transport here yesterday. Ministry sources said the amendment will provide for the imposition of certain fees on all transport operations by Jordanian and Bulgarian vehicles in the two countries.

Jordanian-Yugoslav trade talks open

AMMAN, April 9 (JNA) — Jordanian-Yugoslav talks opened here today for promoting economic and trade relations between the two countries. The talks are conducted by teams headed by Jordan's Minister of Industry and Commerce Dr. Nijmeddin Dajani and the Yugoslav Finance Minister Kostech Patar. The talks are exploring ways of increasing the volume of trade and rectifying the trade balances between Jordan and Yugoslavia. The two sides will also explore the possibility of launching joint economic ventures and will discuss granting Alia landing rights in Belgrade. Mr. Patar and his accompanying delegation who arrived here yesterday for a several-day visit will also extend an invitation for a Jordanian delegation to visit Yugoslavia to discuss cooperation between the two countries in exchanging scholarships for studies in science.

Jordanian-Syrian Transport Co. to decide projects, budget

DAMASCUS, April 9 (JNA) — The general assembly of the Jordanian-Syrian Land Transport Company holds its monthly meeting in Amman on April 15 under the joint chairmanship of the Syrian and Jordanian ministers of transport. During the meetings, the assembly will debate for final approval the company's general budget for the current year and will endorse the company's investment projects to be carried out this year, the Syrian minister of transport, Salim Yassin, said.

Hijaż Railway commission to award feasibility contract

AMMAN, April 9 (JNA) — The Higher Commission of the Hijaż Railway holds its 12th meeting here on Thursday. The meeting is scheduled to last for three days. The commission, made up of officials from the ministries of communications and transport in Saudi Arabia, Syria and Jordan will award an international firm a contract for carrying out a feasibility study on linking the three countries by railroad.

WHAT'S GOING ON

Exhibition

The Soviet Cultural Centre presents an exhibition of photos on "The Development of Space Research in the Soviet Union". The exhibit can be seen during regular hours. It will end on April 16.

Films

The British Council presents a film by Nicholas Roeg entitled "Don't Look Now" starring Julie Christie and Donald Sutherland. The film is based on a story by Daphne du Maurier, and is deemed unsuitable for children under 16 years of age. The film starts at 6:00 p.m. and will be repeated on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

The Goethe Institute presents a film by Edgar Reitz entitled "Stunde Null" (1976), starring Kai Taschner, Herbert Weissbach and Gunter Schrimm. The film starts at 8:00 p.m., and it is in black and white with English subtitles.

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Egypt Air to resume flights

AMMAN, April 9 (J.T.) — Egypt Air today announced that it will resume its flights between Amman and Cairo starting this Saturday or Sunday.

Egypt Air passengers to Cairo since the end of last month, when the Egyptian carrier suspended its flights to and from Amman.

Egypt Air District Manager in Jordan, Mr. Samir Qadri told the Jordan Times today that traffic from Amman to Cairo has increased sharply and is too heavy for either airline to handle alone.

Algerian presidential envoy leaves

AQABA, April 9 (JNA) — Algerian presidential envoy Ahmad Taleb Ibrahim left for Riyadh yesterday after delivering to His Highness Crown Prince Hassan the Regent an invitation sent by Algerian President Chadli Ben Jelid for His Majesty King Hussein to visit Algeria. During his meeting with the Crown Prince, Mr. Ibrahim exchanged views on recent developments in the Middle East.

CAEU Committee recommends transport and communications co. be set up

AMMAN, April 9 (JNA) — The sub-committee for planning and coordinating transport and communications among Arab states concluded its meeting here today.

The sub-committee recommended that a pan Arab land transport company be set up to have branches in all Arab states participating in the company.

Other recommendations included the introduction of methods that would secure for Arab states complete control over transport operations within their territories, the charting of a map showing road and railway networks in Arab states, coordination among Arab states to establish a centre for training and recruiting personnel to operate Arab airports effectively and the establishment of an association of Arab civil airports.

The sub-committee, which was formed by the council of Arab Economic Unity, also recommended the establishment of joint Arab projects for developing Arab seaports and river transport and the establishment of a training centre for maritime navigation.

Taking part in the three-day meeting were delegates from Jordan, the United Arab Emirates, Iraq, Palestine, Kuwait, Libya and Morocco as well as the Council of Arab Economic Unity.

Agricultural engineers union to move its HQ to Damascus

AMMAN, April 9 (JNA) — The higher council of the union of Arab agricultural engineers associations has decided to transfer its headquarters from Cairo to Damascus, the President of the Jordanian Agricultural Engineers Association, Ghassan Qamhawi, said here yesterday.

Mr. Qamhawi, who returned from Baghdad after attending the council's meeting there said the

U of J deans urge students back to class

- 2 - The University laws and regulations prohibit the setting up of a students' union.
- 3 - Twenty students were expelled from the University in accordance with University regulations and decision No. 161/79 adopted by the council of deans.
- 4 - According to University by-laws, students penalised for any reason have the right to appeal actions taken against them provided they apply in writing within the specified time-limit. However, the council will not

\$15 million IBRD loan to aid industry, villages

By Ron Cathell
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN, April 9 — A \$15 million loan from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development is expected to be signed this month to assist the Jordan Electricity Authority (JEA) in a project to supply power for the potash complex at the Dead Sea. The project also aims at supplying power for the expanding phosphate factory in El Hasa and for the proposed cement plant in Al Rashadiya, besides providing electrification for 25 villages in an area, near Ghor Safi, Director of JEA Ali Ensour told the Jordan Times today.

Mr. Ensour and Mr. Hannah Odeh, president of the National Planning Council, returned recently from the United States after negotiating the loan with IBRD. Jordan's ambassador in Washington is expected to sign the loan this month. Ninety days later, assuming the Jordanian cabinet approves the loan, funds can be released.

The three large industries to be supplied power will contribute a total of \$11 million towards the \$33 million project, scheduled for completion by mid 1981. Jordan will provide the additional funds. The project calls for laying a 132 kilovolt overhead line from south Amman to a substation in Qatrana. From there, a line will be laid to Karak and extended on to the potash complex currently under construction. The completion date for the potash complex is 1981. Another line from Qatrana will lead to the expanding phosphate plant at El Hasa and continue on to Al Rashadiya, the location for the proposed cement plant. JEA has already issued tenders for the electrification project, but won't award any contracts until July or August. The tenders include the 132 kilovolt trans-

mission lines; the substation with switching gear; transformers; a 33 kilovolt overhead line network for rural electrification with accompanying low voltage networks; pole line carriers and telecommunications equipment.

In another project, the JEA proposes to build a 300 megawatt thermal power plant in Aqaba that would be fuelled by oil. The plant would primarily serve Aqaba and nearby areas, but would also link the region with the north. This will complete the 132 kilovolt national grid for Jordan," Mr. Ensour said. A transmission line would run from Aqaba and connect into the national network at Al Rashadiya. The national grid in the north is already completed and is connected to Syria's electricity network. The entire project, including the power plant, will cost \$300 million and be completed by late 1984 or early 1985.

In a third project, the JEA plans to build a thermal power plant in Qatrana. It is to be fuelled by shale oil. The generating station would make use of abundant oil-impregnated shale in that region.

The JEA is negotiating on the project with a delegation of experts from the Soviet Union, where shale oil generating plants are widely used. The power station would generate 400 megawatts and cost at least \$300 million to build. It should be completed by 1987.

JEA is also currently in the process of electrifying 200 villages in north and central Jordan, including suburbs of Amman. In two years, all the suburbs around Amman will be fully electrified, Mr. Ensour said. "We hope that all the villages in Jordan with populations of 500 or more will be electrified by 1985," he said. "We are aiming to fully electrify every home in Jordan by the year 2000. I don't think we can afford not to do this."

Asst. U.S. secretary defence leaves

AMMAN, April 9 (JNA) — Assistant Secretary of Defense David McCaffrey and his accompanying military delegation arrived in Amman for Cairo today at the end of their several-day visit to Jordan. During the visit they met the Commander-in-Chief of Jordanian Armed Forces Lt. Sharif Zaid Ibn Shaker to discuss ways of modernising the Jordanian army. The delegation toured army positions and archaeological sites in Jordan.

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The Genouras are first cousins.
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Salam Genoura paints on glass.
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After their marriage, the gentle
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with wool in which she wove her
primitive motifs.

The couple moved to Damascus
where George could better sell his
portraits, landscapes and still-lives.
He became a successful artist, one of a handful in Syria
who can live by painting alone.

When business became slow, he
painted icons for churches in the
area of Tartous and Latakia.

"Sometimes when George
became indolent and complained
of lacking inspiration, I would
start to paint so that he would get
into the mood," Salam confessed.

The years passed and when the
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Pointing to a group of dark,
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Salam, she is my best friend. I
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panion. If a job is to be done in the
house, we do it together, whether
it's receiving guests who may pur-
chase our paintings or repairing a
broken cupboard hinge."

Interjected the soft-spoken
Salam: "Instead of producing
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new painting is like a new offspring
and when we sell a particularly
prized work, it's almost like saying
goodbye to a child."

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During the two years the couple
were in Romania, Salam actively assisted her husband
in painting at the theological
institute.

"George was learning the art of
fresco painting—this is extremely
difficult in that the images must be
painted rapidly, before the plaster
dries," she said. "George would
apply the plaster, I'd draw the outlines
of the subjects, he would follow
up by painting them."

It was in Romania that Salam
learned the technique of reverse
painting on glass and developed
her own style of depicting icons on
glass.

Her works can be described as
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Life is one big "picnic" to the
Genouras and if you see them at
sunset in the Jisr area, wave,
because they'll probably invite
you home to see their etchings.



Madonna and Child, a painting on glass by Salam Genoura.



Saint Nicholas, a glass painting by Salam Genoura.

in front of several reverse glass paintings that hang in

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| COMPANY | Par Value | Volume Traded | Last Buying Offer | Last Selling Offer | Closing Price |
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| JD 5,000 | 3,064 | 6,750 | 6,800 | 6,750 | |
| JD 1,000 | 224 | 2,160 | 2,240 | 2,240 | |
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| JD 1,000 | 79 | 1,450 | 1,450 | 1,450 | |
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| JD 1,000 | 930 | 0,930 | 0,960 | 0,930 | |
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traded, Monday, April 9: JD 40,917
of shares traded: 6,325

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traded: JD 1,223,280
of bonds traded: 238

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| | U.S. dollar | 300.00/302.00 |
|----------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| U.K. sterling | 627.00/631.00 | |
| West German mark | 158.50/159.50 | |
| Swiss franc | 175.10/176.20 | |
| French franc | 69.20/69.60 | |
| Italian lire (for every 100) | 35.60/35.80 | |
| Japanese yen (for every 100) | 140.00/140.80 | |
| Dutch guilder (for every ten) | 147.20/148.10 | |
| Belgian franc (for every ten) | 100.20/101.00 | |
| Swedish krona | 68.40/68.80 | |

TODAY'S WEATHER

There will be another drop in
temperatures and low clouds with a
possibility of scattered rain in
northern areas. Winds will be
northerly moderate, freshening at
times. In Aqaba the weather will
be hazy with northerly moderate
winds and calm seas.

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| Amman | 8 | 16 |
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| Deserts | 7 | 22 |
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Baseball roundup

NEW YORK. April 9 (R) - Ken Fiersch of the Houston Astros pitched the earliest no-hitter of any Major League season Saturday night, beating the Atlanta Braves 6-0 and joining his brother, Bob, among no-hitter hurlers. It is the first time that two brothers have landed Major League no-hitters. Bob, of the St. Louis Cardinals, did it last April 19, beating the Philadelphia Phillies 5-0. In other American League games, Cleveland blanked Boston 3-0; Kansas City beat Toronto 7-4; Milwaukee edged the New York Yankees 4-3; Baltimore clapped the Chicago White Sox 6-3; Texas trounced Detroit 8-2; and Minnesota beat Oakland 3-1 in 12 innings.

In other National League action, Pittsburgh shaded Montreal 2-1; San Francisco beat Cincinnati 4-2; St. Louis defeated Philadelphia 3-2 and the New York Mets tipped the Chicago Cubs 6-4.

In a pair of West Coast night games, Andy Messersmith combined with two relief pitchers for a three-hitter to lead Los Angeles past San Diego 3-2 in the National League; and Joe Rudi struck out eight in nine innings and led the San Francisco Giants to a 5-2 victory over Seattle in the American League.

New weightlifting record

MUNICH. East Germany, April 9 (R) - Yurik Vardanyan of the Soviet Union set a world record in the lightweight division here last night when he raised 211.5 kilos during an East German weightlifting competition.

Japanese boxer knocks out challenger

TOKYO. April 9 (R) - Japan's Naoi Gushiken, the World Boxing Association (WBA) lightweight champion, knocked out Panamanian challenger Alonso Lopez in the seventh round to retain his title here last night. The 27-year-old champion stopped Lopez with a fierce right-hand punch for his eighth defence of the title.

Iraq wins Gulf Soccer Tournament

BAGHDAD. April 9 (R) - Iraq today won the fifth Gulf Soccer Tournament here by beating Saudi Arabia 2-0, the Iraq News Agency reported. Both goals were scored during the first half, by Salah Hassan and Hassan Farhan. Two more games are to be held tomorrow between Kuwait and Bahrain, and Oman and the United Arab Emirates to decide the minor placings.

Batamweight champion retains title

LAS VEGAS. Nevada, April 9 (R) - Jorge Lujan of Panama retained his World Boxing Association (WBA) batamweight title by stopping Cleo Garcia of Nicaragua in the 15th round. It was the third successful defence for Lujan, who won the title in November, 1977.

Morocco downs Mauritania in soccer cup eliminations

CASABLANCA. Morocco, April 9 (R) - Morocco today eliminated Mauritania from the African Nations soccer Cup, winning the return leg 4-1 (half-time 4-1). The two sides drew 2-2 in the first leg in Nouakchott two weeks ago.

Long Beach Grand Prix winners

LONG BEACH, California, April 9 (R) - Results of the U.S. Grand Prix (West) Formula One motor race here yesterday: 1st laps (260 km).
1. Gilles Villeneuve (Canada)-Ferrari, 1 hour 50 minutes 25.40 seconds; 2. Jody Scheckter (South Africa)-Ferrari; 3. Alan Jones (Australia)-Williams; 4. Mario Andretti (U.S.)-Lotus; 5. Patrick Depailler (France)-Ligier; 6. Jean-Pierre Jarier (France)-Tyrrell; 7. Elio de Angelis (Italy)-Shadow; 8. Nelson Piquet (Brazil)-Brabham-Alfa; 9. Joachim Mass (West Germany)-Arrows; 10. Didier Pironi (France)-Tyrrell.

Cheap food for millions

By George Macpherson

LONDON - For many years it was the dream of a British scientist to produce cheap and nourishing protein from grass and other common plants to provide food for millions of people in developing countries who were not getting enough to eat.

The scientist, Mr. Norman Prie, of the Rothamsted Experimental Station, eventually succeeded in developing a process he called leaf fractionation. This extracts protein in the form of a paste or dough from crushed green leaves of many plants at a cost only 15 per cent that of meat containing a similar quantity of protein.

The protein produced by Mr. Prie's method is rich in the amino acid lysine, one of the essential ingredients of children's diets. It also contains calcium and iron and plenty of health giving vitamins A and E.

But would people eat it? The only way to find out was to invite them to try it, listen to their reactions and study their health to see if the protein was as good for them as predicted.

A leaf protein feeding trial was established at Coimbatore, in South India, by an organisation based in London called "Find Your Feet Ltd." which is devoted to improving the life of people on low incomes.

Two hundred and 100 pre-school children aged between 2½ and 5 were involved in the trials which covered various local diets, one of which included the green dried leaf protein powder. The results showed that the children liked the protein additive; there were no undesirable side effects from eating it and the children's general health improved.

At Ibadan, in Nigeria, another leaf protein project, sponsored by the London based Christian Aid was launched. A small plant was built to supply leaf protein

for 1,000 people every day, using a combination of a local spinach and cowpeas. The factory has now been handed over to a locally trained graduate. The intention is to introduce more and more people to the health giving protein.

In Nigeria the green powder proved acceptable to housewives because it mixed well with traditional foods, many of which are dark in colour.

However there is still much to be done to find out how leaf protein can best be used and marketed. It may be refasted as a cake or dough, or it could be mixed with flour and sugar and sold as a prepacked food. The protein has a slightly salty, fishy taste that would enhance most stews, curries and soups.

What is left behind from the protein extracted - the leaf fibres and carbohydrates - makes excellent food for cattle, sheep or goats. In the production process this is an important by-product as its sale helps reduce the cost of the protein.

In fact one reason why Mr. Prie's dream did not come true sooner was the expense of making the protein. It was assumed that a fully mechanised plant was needed. But recent developments have shown that far simpler methods can be used - at least in the early stages of introducing the new product.

Dr. Walter Bray, a food technologist from an American foundation called "Meals for Millions" who has recently been working at the Food Service Department of Reading University in England, told me that it was possible to use a simple cane crusher roller powered by an ox or donkey to crush the leaves. The juice is then washed out - first with water, then with the liquor left over from previous operations.

The crushed leaves are then stirred around by a hand held stirrer for a few minutes in a tank or old oil drum and the liquid is strained off. The fibrous material that remains can easily be made into silage and fed direct to farm animals - or used to feed the animals driving the leaf crusher.

A little acid is added to give the solution an acidity of about pH 4. Lemon juice, vinegar or almost any diluted acid can be used. The acid causes the protein to form curds, in much the same way as in sour milk. Using a cloth filter, the curds can be squeezed to a moist dough which can be shaped into small blocks for sale at local markets.

The machines at Coimbatore and Ibadan are more sophisticated, but nevertheless are capable of producing, in the case of the Ibadan plant, a food with 60 per cent protein for less than £1 a kilo. This compares with £2.50 a kilo for meat con-



Mr. Clive Walker, manager of a British leaf processing plant, plays animal fodder samples high in protein produced from vegetable waste. (LPS photo)

taining only about 20 per cent protein.

The machines consist of a hammer mill type leaf crusher, although a simple press or a simple extruder can do the same job - a belt designed by Mr. Prie and Mr. Bray from a drum. Pieces of straw, wood, and other electric motor is used to ate the others, and solar dry the paste into blocks.

These machines are simple. More development capital is needed to build a commercial plant.

But now the consumer accepted, the producer of future looks promising, not being much more expensive than basic animal protein based on meat.

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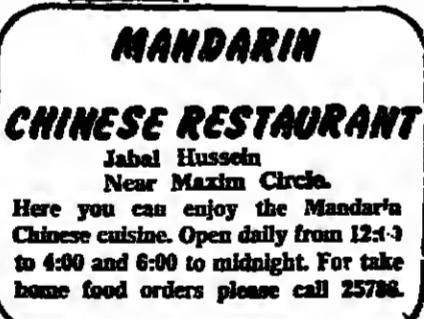
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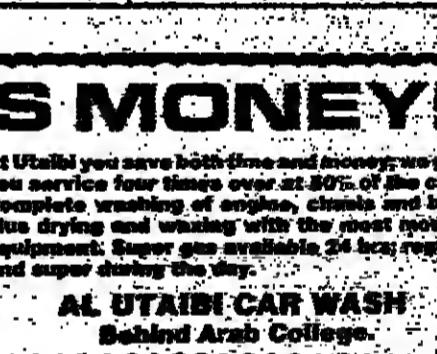
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YOUR DAILY Horoscope

By Carroll Righter Institute

ES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Contact helpers early for what you have to do. Take time to improve health before friends for recreation later in day.

MUS (Apr. 20 to May 18) Schedule your work so as to reach the peak of efficiency. You can be most now, so get into the spirit of things.

INI (May 19 to June 21) Know what it is that members expect of you and aim to please. Handle business early in the day.

N CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) Go after the action you need early in the day for best results. Use a sense in business dealings.

(July 22 to Aug. 21) Morning should be devoted to business. Plan how to have more security in the Avoid one who is too talkative.

JO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 21) Put new ideas to work delay. Show that you are progressive thinking logical. Advance through right channels.

A (Sept. 22 to Oct. 21) Study your aims in life and ways to achieve them. Get good suggestions from an you like and trust.

PIO (Oct. 22 to Nov. 21) Contact those friends or whatever it is you have in mind and then get own to work enthusiastically.

TTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Handle business early in the day so you will have time for personal later. Handle your money wisely.

RICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Make plans to put as to work and then consult a higher-up for the you need. Be logical.

ARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Complete unfinished hand and then look into new interests that could greater success. Be wise.

ES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Ideal morning to make arrangements with associates and then carry through negotiations you have assumed.

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However, careful defense promoted West's eight of hearts to the setting trick, and declarer was helpless to prevent it. Hats off to you if you spotted the winning defense. If not, watch the play unfold.

East won the king of spades, and returned the three. This was not haphazard selection, but a suit-preference signal showing that his outside entry was in the lower-ranking of the side suits—in this case, clubs.

To prevent West from ruffing with a low trump, declarer trumped with the king. West made a good defensive play when he refused to overruff—had he taken the ace, declarer would have had no further problems.

Just in case East held the ace of trumps, declarer crossed to the queen of diamonds and led a trump to the ten. West won the ace and dutifully returned a club. East took the ace and led another spade. Declarer had no counter.

If he ruffed low, West would overruff. Declarer's only hope was that trumps were going to divide evenly, so he ruffed with the jack. Now he had only one high trump remaining—the queen. He cashed it, but West's eight now became the fourth defensive trick.



JUMBLE THAT SCRABBLE WORD GAME

by Henri Arnold and Bob Lee

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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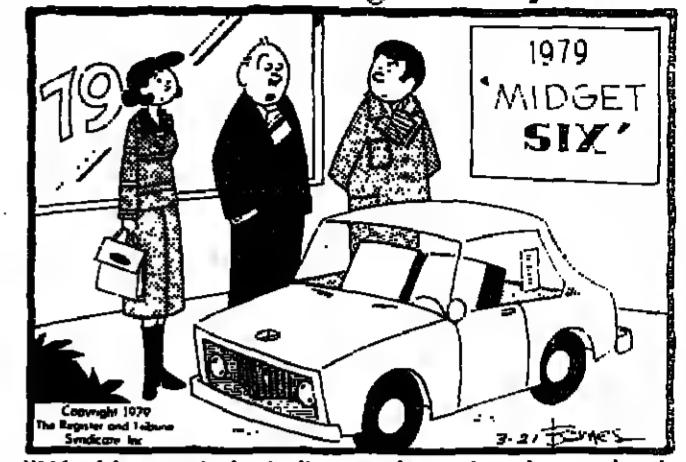
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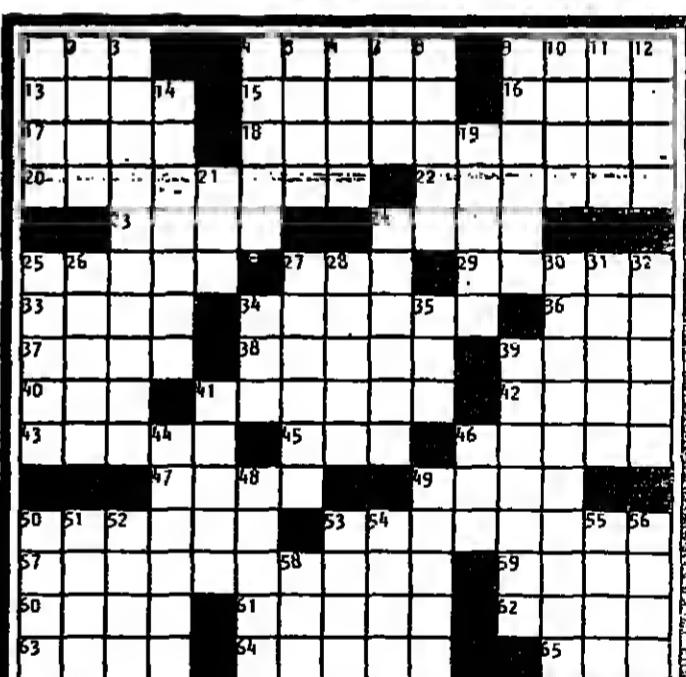
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At least 10,000 said murdered in Chad's recent tribal flareup

N'DJAMENA, Chad, April 9 (AP) -- At least 10,000 persons, mostly members of the local Moslem minority, were murdered in the recent flareup of tribal violence in southern Chad, reliable missionary sources reported today.

The killings -- probably the biggest tribal slaughter in Africa since the 1972 extermination of an estimated 100,000 members of Burundi's Huu tribe -- resumed in outlying villages over the weekend following several weeks of calm, the sources said.

There were no estimates of the number of deaths in the latest incidents. The violence in Chad's densely populated but remote southern provinces has been directed largely against the Moslem minority, which holds a virtual monopoly of the retail trade and

moneylending in the area.

Most of the population in southern Chad is Christian or Animist, although Moslems probably form an overall majority in the vast landlocked nation.

Jesuit missionary sources said a careful check of each mission station, including those in the smallest isolated villages, showed that 4,000 to 5,000 persons were massacred by anti-Moslem mobs in Moyen-Chari Province and 5,000 to 6,000 others in West-Logone Province, between late February and mid-March. Many others

French Socialist Party said 'deeply divided'

METZ, France, April 9 (AP) -- The French Socialist Party has emerged from a three-day congress deeply divided and with a rift between veteran party chief Francois Mitterrand and young challenger Mr. Michel Rocard.

Mr. Mitterrand, 62, who fought an unsuccessful presidential campaign against Mr. Valery Giscard d'Estaing five years ago, retained control of the party, but he will be forced to lead it without an overall majority on its governing body.

Mr. Rocard, 48, said that his supporters, representing about 21 per cent of party membership, would now go into opposition within the socialist movement. But he stressed from the rostrum that it would be a loyal, not a destructive or wrangling opposition.

The split came when last-minute back-room negotiations on a joint policy statement broke down early yesterday. In the final delegates' vote, Mr. Mitterrand's policy motion won 46.97 per cent support, and Mr. Rocard's 21.25 per cent. Mr. Rocard's ally Mr. Pierre Mauroy took 16.8 per cent and a leftist faction polled 14.98 per cent.

The party remains split over several areas of policy. Mr. Rocard, while supporting a strategy of electoral unity with

the Communist Party, urged a more liberal, less bureaucratic economic policy and a greater role for trade unions within a left-wing alliance.

The socialists have emerged from recent local elections as the largest political force in France, commanding nearly 27 per cent of the popular vote.

Pope upholds celibacy, lifetime vows for priests

VATICAN CITY, April 9 (R) -- Pope John Paul told his priests today that they must remain celibate, and reminded those who wanted to leave their ministry that they had made their vows for life.

In a 35-page letter addressed to all priests of the Roman Catholic Church, the Pontiff left little doubt that he would continue to block requests by priests to leave their orders.

Since his election in October, the Polish-born Pontiff has refused to grant any dispensations in an attempt to stem an exodus which has accounted for some 32,000 priests leaving their orders since 1964.

"The priesthood cannot be renounced because of the difficulties that we meet and the sacrifices asked of us," the Pope said.

U.S. anti-nuclear demonstrations continue

NEW YORK, April 9 (Agencies) -- People worried about the safety of nuclear power plants staged more demonstrations across the United States over the weekend in the continuing reaction to the accident at the Three Mile Island nuclear power station in Pennsylvania.

About 1,500 persons protested in Washington State, with another protest planned for today against Seattle City Light's participation in nuclear plant construction.

About 1,200 people marched through downtown Seattle on Saturday in a noisy but peaceful rally. About 300 more met the same day on the steps of the state capital building in Olympia.

In Harrisburg, Pennsylvania,

Pakistan accuses U.S. of discrimination in cutting off assistance

ISLAMABAD, April 9 (R) -- Pakistan denied last night that it was planning to develop nuclear weapons and accused the United States of discrimination in cutting off development aid to this country.

The charge was lodged by the Foreign Ministry in an angry reaction to the Carter administration's announcement three days ago that aid was being stopped because of reports that Pakistan was building an atomic plant capable of producing nuclear weapons-grade material.

"It is categorically denied that Pakistan's peaceful programme has behind it the intention or purpose of developing nuclear weapons," the Foreign Ministry's official spokesman told a news conference in Islamabad.

He said Pakistan regarded the halt in aid as an act of discrimination against it. The spokesman said that India, Israel and South Africa all had nuclear capability but had not been subjected to the same treatment by Washington.

Some of these countries were being armed by the United States, the spokesman said, adding: "On the other hand Pakistan, which has subjected its nuclear facilities to international inspection, is being deprived of economic assistance."

He went on: "We summarily reject as false that Pakistan is developing its nuclear programme with the assistance or in partnership with Libya or any other country."

The spokesman told reporters he accepted the U.S. State Department's statement that there was no relation between the timing of the aid announcement and the execution of former prime minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto two days earlier.

Clouds of toxic smoke U.S. train derails; thousands evacuated

CRESTVIEW, Florida, April 9 (R) -- Some 4,500 people have evacuated a 200 square kilometres area near this north Florida town after the derailment of a goods train loaded with dangerous chemicals. Clouds of dense, toxic smoke, billowed from the wreckage after the accident yesterday, but police said today no one was injured.

In addition to the evacuees, thousands more people waited word on whether to leave their homes as officials watched closely for any change in wind directions.

Thirteen of 30 chemical-laden wagons left the tracks as the Louisville and Nashville train crossed a trestle bridge over the Yellow River five kilometres from Crestview. Police said the chemicals being carried in the train included ammonia, acetone, alcohol, sulphur and carbolic acid.

They said one wagon, believed to be carrying carbolic acid, exploded and caught fire, setting two other wagons ablaze. One of the other wagons carrying sulphur sent dense yellow fumes into the air.

Police said authorities set up a command post about two kilometres from the scene, and were venturing no closer until the exact nature of the fumes involved could be determined.

They said residents cooperated fully with calls for evacuation and tight security was being provided for abandoned homes. Ten people were killed last year after a train carrying deadly chlorine gas was derailed 95 kilometres from Crestview.

S. Africa expected to make final decision on U.N. plan for Namibia

WASHINGTON, April 9 (AP) -- A decision is expected from the South African cabinet tomorrow which officials here say could have an impact on black-white relations throughout southern Africa and on U.S.-Soviet relations as well.

The issue is whether South Africa will accept a revised U.N. plan to convert the territory of South-West Africa into the independent country of Namibia through elections supervised by the international organization.

Senior American officials, asking not to be quoted by name, said the stakes involved go far beyond the fate of the mostly black inhabitants of the mineral-rich

territory South Africa has administered for the last 60 years.

The plan's success, the officials said, could improve the climate for a peaceful resolution of another African colonial issue, Rhodesia.

Failure of the plan, however, would almost certainly lead to expanded Soviet-Cuban aid for Namibia's black nationalist guerrillas and would set back the prospects for black-white détente throughout southern Africa.

A two-year effort by the Carter administration, working with black African countries and with France, Britain, West Germany and Canada, will be on the line when South African cabinet meets.

The central issue has been an enormous mutual suspicion between the South African Government and Namibia's main black nationalist guerrilla group, the SWAPO.

South Africa insists it has no interest in further delaying Namibian independence. But it is concerned whether the U.N. plan provides adequate monitoring of SWAPO guerrillas during the seven-month electoral period.

To ease South Africa's fears on this point the United States recently offered the United Nations electronic equipment to monitor guerrilla movements.

The SWAPO guerrillas have been using Angola as a base for attacks against South African installations inside Namibia.

France expands solar energy programme

PARIS, April 9 (AP) -- France is stepping up efforts to create a solar energy industry capable of cutting the nation's huge oil import bill and capturing a significant portion of a potential multi-billion dollar export market.

Both sides accused the government last week of poisoning the atmosphere of the negotiations between the Teamsters Union, representing about 300,000 drivers, and Trucking Management Incorporated, which negotiates for 500 large haulage firms.

The negotiations were broken off on Friday but federal mediators got the two sides to agree to meet again today.

The union is demanding wage increases about two per cent higher than the seven per cent voluntary guidelines laid down by President Carter, while the firms are offering about five per cent.

With its solar energy technology already considered second only to that of the U.S., France has set up a special solar energy agency, increased its funding of research and development and encouraged French firms to seek additional know-how in America.

In the last month alone, at least three French firms have announced plans to acquire interests in U.S. concerns specialising in the field.

The government has earmarked \$45.5 million for solar energy

Iran said interested in foreign investment

BERUIT, April 9 (R) -- Iran's new government will try to attract foreign investment and strike a balance between agriculture and industry.

Dr. Mohammad Mouavvi told the weekly magazine published by the daily newspaper An-Nahar that Iran would do its best to attract investment from abroad.

"We are not opposed to cooperation and we are not against imported technology," he added.

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Waldheim meets with Turkish Cyprus envoys

ZURICH, Switzerland, April 9 (R) -- United Nations Secretary General Kurt Waldheim discussed the possibility of a Middle East summit between Greek and Turkish Cypriots during a 40-minute meeting here today with Turkish Cypriot representative Konstantinos Aksakal, U.N. spokesman said. The spokesman said a decision was taken to hold a summit would be taken later after further consultations with the two sides. Mr. Waldheim met Mr. Aksakal, head of the delegation of Turkish Cypriot leader Rauf Denktash, in a meeting organized by the United Nations headquarters in New York from an office in Bonn, West Germany.

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VIENNA, April 9 (AP) -- A four-day symposium on East and West European co-operation on energy questions was opened here today by Austria's Science Minister Hertha Firsov. The symposium, trying to give an account of the actual situation, aims to work out forecasts until 1990, show energy measures planned in some European countries and try to find ways of co-operation between East and West. Mr. Wilhelm Frank, one of the Austrian experts, pointed out that Western Europe has become increasingly dependent on energy from Eastern Europe. One-third of oil used in Western Europe imported originated in Eastern Europe, and 16 per cent of the crude oil, 16 per cent of natural gas and 15 per cent of electricity. Mr. Ulrich Lanzki, the head of the International Energy Agency, will also address the symposium.

U.K. Labour Party toughens attacks on EEC

LONDON, April 9 (R) -- Britain's Young Labour Party has toughened its attacks on the European Common Market in an attempt to gain votes in the May 3 general election. Prime Minister James Callaghan fuelled the anti-Market mood by denouncing the conservative opposition when the election was called, saying that the European Economic Community was "a threat to our way of life." Speaking at the first of a series of campaign press conferences here, he branded the Market's Central Agricultural Policy as nonsense and ridiculous, expounding the case not so far as left-wing Energy Minister Tony Benn, who called pro-European politicians yesterday by insisting that a vote for a Labour Party on May 3 would be a vote against the Common Market "as it now operates." Mr. Callaghan declined to endorse Mr. Benn's weekend speech but said they were both "making a stand for the end." With opinion polls showing a commanding Conservative lead over Labour, the government has increasingly blamed the European Economic Community for Britain's economic ills.

Gertie the hippo refuses to be tamed

SEATTLE, Washington, April 9 (AP) -- Elephants have been mate and consulted a psychologist, but after 12 years at the Woodland Park Zoo, Gertie is still childless. So keepers tried to lure the 5,000-pound hippopotamus to mate with a female hippo imported from a zoo in Japan. Gertie, however, has been too jealous. Kubwa San, a male hippo imported to the Seattle Zoo 10 years ago from a breeding loan from a Japanese aquarium, was supposed to spark a flame in Gertie. But Gertie, who is twice her younger and smaller suitor, snarled at Kubwa San. Dr. Barbara Sleeter, Gertie's analyst from the University of Washington Graduate School of Psychology, said the two tried everything to get the hippos to show affection for one another. The two are now set to be separated for a week, and Kubwa San or spur Gertie into a fit of jealousy that could lead to mating.

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The agency has been made responsible for achieving the government's target that five per cent of the nation's energy requirements be met by solar energy by the year 2000.

According to agency officials, the French effort is being developed in three directions: photoenergy technology, thermodynamic solar power stations and the recuperation of solar energy from vegetation through combustion, fermentation and distillation.

Despite government incentives, however, French firms selling solar water heaters have not been able to penetrate the French market within the next ten years and tens of thousands of houses will be heated by solar energy.

France is considered one of the leading developers of solar water pumps, with 75 pumping stations already installed, mostly in Africa, for irrigation and other purposes.

But the major French research push is in thermodynamic technology, with 31 per cent of this year's entire solar energy budget devoted to studying solar power stations.

Among the French firms vying for a share of the lucrative market are the Thomson-Brandt group, which announced in mid-February it is to set up a joint subsidiary in France with Solar Power Corporation, a unit of the U.S.-based Exxon group.

The joint venture, to be called

Solaris, will specialize in the manufacture and sale of solar energy systems and their components, aiming at markets in the Middle East, Africa and Latin America.

More recently, Solaris, the leading U.S. photovoltaic technology, has a 15 per cent stake in its Canadian partner, the French electrical firm Sonel. The French firm will have a 20 per cent interest in S.A.T., being set up in Switzerland to manufacture solar cells under license.

The French electrical firm Cie. Generale d'Electricite (CGE), intends to continue its expansion of the market. It recently concluded an agreement with the Corporation of the U.S. which two joint subsidiaries will be formed, one in France and another in the U.S. for development, production and marketing of photovoltaic modules and systems.

3.5 per cent next year.

Taking into account exports of oil and natural gas imports of goods and services expected to grow in real terms from four per cent in 1980 to 5.5 per cent in 1981.

It is optimistic to consider that there will be a surplus of oil in each of the next two years. Nordic Seas oil imports approach its peak and the terms of trade will not be able to offset that decline.

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To a large extent this deficit reflects the U.K. preference for Community imports, including food, although it is offset by lower imports from elsewhere. It also results from faster growth in the U.K. in 1978 than most EEC economies.

Sterling is particularly strong against North American currencies and this is bound to be reflected in export figures later in the year. Companies are also experiencing tough competition

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